

## CLAIMS:

I claim:

1. A protective headgear attachment assembly that attaches to a headgear device having an internal headband with an upwardly facing inner channel between the headband and the headgear with the protective attachment assembly comprising:
  - a) a stiffener having opposed ends forming a plane;
  - b) a stiffener having opposed ends forming a plane with both ends of the stiffener connected to a tab and sharing a common plane and
    - i) the tabs extending beyond the width of body of the stiffener in a downward direction on opposed ends and
    - ii) the tabs having a frictional surface on opposing surfaces.
  - c) a stiffener having an arc shape between the opposed ends;
  - d) a stiffener having a relief on the upper edge of the arc between the opposed ends to accommodate a ponytail;
  - e) a stiffener having a protruding tab on the lower edge of the arc between the opposed ends providing additional support for the protective headgear attachment;
  - f) a stiffener constructed of a pliable material such as plastic or a fibrous material ;
  - g) a stiffener attached to a material body that drapes downward from the stiffener to shield the neck, ears and sides of face of the wearer from areas not protected by the headgear device.
2. A protective headgear attachment assembly as in claim 1 with a pocket between layers of the material body where an absorbent material may be placed to hold a liquid for cooling or warming or an insect repellent or particular scent may be applied for release over time or for electrical wiring for a heating element or lighting to be enclosed.
3. A protective headgear attachment assembly as in claim 1 where the material body is designed in the particular shape of an object.
4. A protective headgear attachment assembly as in claim 1 where the material body is made of multiple layers of disposable material that may be removed along a tear line to expose a new layer.

5. A protective headgear attachment assembly as in claim 1 where the material body is made of a specific material that aids the identification the wearer in an obvious or discrete manner.
6. A protective headgear attachment assembly as in claim 1 where the outward facing side is imprinted with particular images or words.
7. A stiffener as in claim 1 fabricated from flat material and the frictional surface created by mechanical impressions.
8. A stiffener as in claim 1 fabricated from flat material and the frictional surface created by applying a material or adhesive to the surface of the stiffener.
9. A stiffener as in claim 1 made in a mold with the frictional surface created by protrusions extending from the surface.